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Wonderful coverage of the Caboose in today's *Carbondale News*: story on page one, top of the page, continued on page 10 (almost the entire page of photos). Excellent. Also, a very supportive editorial, p. 4, from Tom Fontana. One could not hope for better.

Yesterday, in the early afternoon, Mayor Taylor came into Room 302 and reported that there was a very good possibility that "the City" could get \$10,000 right now for the Historical Society for the caboose! Such wonderful news. Since SRP wrote his own personal checks for the caboose and related expenses (all to be reimbursed by the Historical Society), the Community Development program (with year-end funds) can provide the Historical Society with \$10,000 with which it can purchase, from SRP, the Caboose. They like to use Community Development money to make things happen (not as reimbursement funds for things that have already happened). So, it looks like we will get \$10,000. Excellent.

Today, Matthew and I created a flyer for the *Friends of D&H Caboose 35964*. Sent it around to several people for review. Probably will produce the final copy tomorrow.

John Buberniak reported today that the Caboose story was picked up by *Trains The Magazine of Railroading*. Here is the link:

<http://trn.trains.com/en/Railroad%20News/News%20Wire/2010/12/Vintage%20Delaware%20Hudson%20caboose%20coming%20home%20to%20Pennsylvania>

Vintage Delaware & Hudson caboose coming home to Pennsylvania

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CARBONDALE, Pa. — The Carbondale Historical Society and Museum has purchased former Delaware & Hudson wood caboose 35964 for preservation. The caboose has been housed indoors at a restaurant in White River Junction, Vt., for 34 years. The building it was housed in is being torn down.

Carbondale Historical Society Executive Director S. Robert Powell told the Scranton Times Tribune that the caboose is in "mint condition." The city was the original home of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Co., the founding entity behind the creation of the Delaware & Hudson.

The caboose will be stored in a secured building until the Historical Society finds a place to display it.